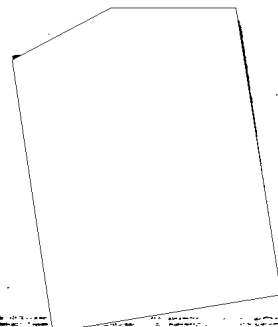


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LAUNCHES AT TYPE IIC SITES. A REVIEW OF TYPE IIC ICBM SITES
REVEALS THE POSSIBILITY THAT THEY MAY CONSIST OF DUAL LAUNCH
POSITIONS AT EACH OF THE TWO LAUNCH AREAS. THE IMPRESSION IS
GAINED FROM AN ANALYSIS OF YURYA LAUNCH SITE 8 ON MISSION [] 50X1
[] THAT EACH OF THE TWO ELONGATED LAUNCH AREAS MAY BE 50X1
DIVIDED INTO TWO ABUTING CIRCULAR PAD AREAS EACH APPROXIMATELY
125 FEET IN DIAMETER. ON ONE INSTANCE A SMALL BLACK OBJECT WAS
NOTED AT APPROXIMATELY THE CENTER OF EACH CIRCULAR AREA. A SINGLE
BLACK OBJECT HAS BEEN OBSERVED IN THE PAST ON THE PADS AT TYPE
IIA AND II B SITES. THIS OBJECT HAS BEEN EQUATED TO POSSIBLE
ERECTION EQUIPMENT. DUAL FACILITIES WITHIN THE LAUNCH AREAS OF
TYPE II C SITES SUCH AS A SET OF CANTED BUILDINGS AT EACH AREA,
MAY FURTHER SUPPORT THIS POSSIBILITY OF DUAL LAUNCHES. THE

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TWO CANTED BUILDINGS POSITIONED INBOARD OF EACH LAUNCH AREA ARE APPROXIMATELY 100 FEET LONG. THEIR FUNCTION HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED HOWEVER THEY MAY HOUSE LAUNCH SERVICING EQUIPMENT. IT IS ALSO NOTED THAT TWO BUILDINGS APPROXIMATELY 125 BY 40 ARE LOCATED APPROXIMATELY MID-WAY BETWEEN THE TWO LAUNCH AREAS. IT IS FURTHER NOTED THAT YURYA SITE 8 HAS TWO LARGE MISSILE-READY BUILDINGS 180 BY 70 POSITIONED SIDE-BY-SIDE AND LOCATED BEHIND ONE OF THE LAUNCH AREAS. A THIRD READY-BUILDING IS LOCATED BEHIND THE OTHER LAUNCH AREA. THE EARLIER TYPE IIA AND IIB CONFIGURATIONS HAVE ONLY TWO READY BUILDINGS AND IN SOME INSTANCES POSSIBLY ONLY ONE. THE MISSILE-READY CAPABILITY AT IIC SITES APPARENTLY IS GREATER THAN AT OTHER TYPE II SITES. INITIAL SALVO OF TWO MISSILES FROM EACH LAUNCH AREA WOULD NOT BE FEASIBLE BECAUSE OF THE SEPARATION. THE PRINCIPAL ADVANTAGE OF DUAL LAUNCHERS WOULD BE TO IMPROVE REFIRE REACTION TIME. SHIELDING BETWEEN THE LAUNCH POSITIONS PROBABLY WOULD BE REQUIRED TO PROTECT CABLE CONNECTIONS AND THE LAUNCH PLATFORM. THIS IS A TENTATIVE ANALYSIS AND THE STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION MAY ACCOUNT FOR THE IMPRESSION OF TWO LAUNCH POSITIONS. HOWEVER THIS POSSIBILITY SHOULD BE THOROUGHLY EXPLORED SINCE IT SEEMS TO BE A LOGICAL MODE OF OPERATION FOR THE SOVIETS. IF THE LATEST IIC SITES IN FACT HAVE DUAL LAUNCHERS IT IS POSSIBLE THAT A PROGRAM MAY BE INITIATED TO PROVIDE THIS CAPABILITY AT ALL TYPE II SITES.

YOUR COMMENTS AND EVALUATION OF THIS POSSIBILITY ARE REQUESTED.

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VERKHNAYA SALDA SITE 9,

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